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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Reyes, et al.

APPLICATION No.: 09/851,410

FILED: May 7, 2001

FOR: ENTERICALLY TRANSMITTED NON-A/NON-B HEPATITIS VIRAL AGENT AND CHARACTERISTIC EPITOPE THEREOF

EXAMINER: Mosher, Mary

ART UNIT: 1648

CONF. NO: 2902

### Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

#### 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- Previously submitted:
  - Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed
  - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- Enclosed:
  - Amendment/Reply
  - Petition for 1-Month Extension of Time
  - Communication Under 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)

#### 2. Miscellaneous

- Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- Other

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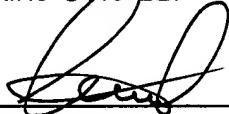
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3. Fees

- Please charge the deposit account in the amount of \$1160.00 to cover the following fees. This transmittal is provided in duplicate.
  - RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
  - Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §1.136 and §1.17)
  - Deficiency in fees from December 14, 2004 response
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment in fees (or credit any overpayments) to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Date: March 14, 2005

Respectfully submitted,  
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